



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Re the Application of:

Thomas E. Sawyer

Confirmation No.: 6832

Application No.: 10/659,469

Group Art Unit: 3713

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Examiner: Kim T. Nguyen

For: ROYAL GAME AND METHOD OF PLAYING

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

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January 12, 2006

Sir:

Prior to examination of the Request for Continued Examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 12.